

Southeast Regional Pediatric Disaster Surge Response Network

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The Mississippi Conundrum: a Case Study

- Protecting the health at one time of a large number of Mississippi's youngest generation finds the state either . . .
 - At a **CROSSROADS**, or
 - Behind the proverbial **EIGHT BALL!**

Some Basic Demographics

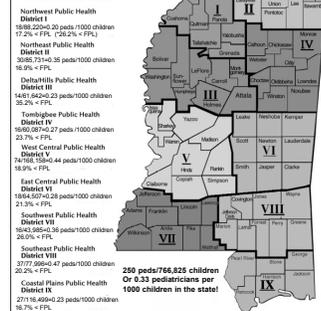
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United States	24.3	13.0
Mississippi	26.1	20.7
Alabama	24.1	16.6
Arkansas	24.6	17.6
Florida	21.8	12.1
Louisiana	25.1	18.8
Tennessee	23.8	15.8

Physicians (*Normalized*)

	PCP/1000	Peds (%PCP)	FP (%PCP)
United States	1.2	18%	29%
Mississippi	0.9	16%	36%
Alabama	1.0	17%	32%
Arkansas	1.0	15%	47%
Florida	1.2	18%	27%
Louisiana	1.1	19%	29%
Tennessee	1.2	18%	30%

Distribution of Pediatricians among

PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICTS



Health Insurance Coverage (<18)

	Employer	Medicaid/ SCHIP	Uninsured
United States	54.4%	29.7%	10.3%
Mississippi	40.5%	41.4%	13.5%
Alabama	51.3%	30.9%	5.9%
Florida	51.8%	23.3%	18.3%
Louisiana	47.1%	35.5%	12.0%
Tennessee	48.6%	34.5%	9.5%

Health Status (2006)

	Teen BR Employer	% Pre- term	%LBW	Infant Deaths /1000 Live Births
United States	41.9	12.8	8.3	6.8
Mississippi	68.4	18.7	12.4	10.7
Alabama	53.5	17.1	10.5	9.0
Arkansas	62.3	13.7	9.2	8.3
Florida	45.2	13.8	8.7	7.2
Louisiana	53.9	16.3	11.4	9.8
Tennessee	54.7	14.8	9.6	8.9

